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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

## U.S. Chamber to Host *Hiring Our Heroes* Job Fair for Veterans and Military Spouses in Kingsport

Event to Include More than 30 Employers with Jobs Available

**KINGSPORT, TN**—The U.S. Chamber of Commerce's National Chamber Foundation will host "*Hiring Our Heroes* – Kingsport," a hiring fair for veterans and military spouses. More than 30 employers are expected to participate with jobs available for veterans and military spouses of all ranks and levels of experience. Companies range from America's biggest employers to small companies from across the region.

Since its launch in March 2011, *Hiring Our Heroes* has held more than 300 hiring fairs nationwide, helping more than 10,400 veterans and military spouses find employment. Thursday's event is also part of "<u>Hiring 500,000 Heroes</u>," a national campaign announced by the U.S. Chamber, National Chamber Foundation, and Capital One, to engage the business community in committing to hire 500,000 veterans and military spouses by the end of 2014.

**AVAILABLE TO Ernie Lombardi, Southeast Regional Associate**, *Hiring Our Heroes*, U.S.

**PRESS:** Chamber of Commerce; and Marine veteran

**WHAT:** *Hiring Our Heroes* — Kingsport

WHEN: Thursday, November 1, 2012

9:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m. EDT

**WHERE:** Marriott Meadowview

1901 Meadowview Parkway

Kingsport, TN 37660

**RSVP:** Interested employers and job seekers should register for free at <u>hoh.greatjob.net</u>.

Walk-in job seekers are allowed (veterans must provide military ID).

Credentialed members of the media are invited to attend. To register, e-mail

bgoettel@uschamber.com or call 202-463-5961.

This hiring event is being held in partnership with the Kingsport, TN Chamber of Commerce, the Department of Labor Veterans' Employment & Training Service (DOL VETS), the Tennessee Committee of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR), the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, The American Legion, Tennessee Workforce Alliance, and other local partners.

The National Chamber Foundation (NCF), a non-profit affiliate of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, is dedicated to identifying and fostering public debate on emerging critical issues. They provide business and government leaders with insight and resources to address tomorrow's challenges.

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